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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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NAOKI ITO and)
MASAYOSHI IWAHARA)
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Serial No. 10/027,304)
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Filed December 20, 2001)
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For DISINFECTANT FOR TEATS)
OF ANIMALS, AND A METHOD)
FOR IMPROVING)
MICROORGANISM-)
ENVIRONMENT HARMFUL)
FOR ANIMALS)

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT A

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 26, 2003, the Applicants, through their attorney, respond as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.